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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

GURIVIREDDY ET AL.

Examiner

Steven HD Nguyen

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 14 March 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 32-39 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 32-39 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

1. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

2. Claims 36-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The claimed is directed to a descriptive material function for a network paging method without stored it on a computer readable medium.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

3. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

4. Claim 37 recites the limitation "said home agent" in line 1 is vague and indefinite because it does not refer to any previous element. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

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6. Claims 32-36 and 38-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Gurivireddy (Internet Draft).

Regarding claims 32 and 36, Gurivireddy discloses a network paging method for enabling communications between a home agent and a wireless device over the internet comprising triggering a Mobile Node (MN) when a paging request is received (page 8, sec 2.8); triggering said MN when changes Layer-2 paging area (Page 6, Sec 2.4, Paging area); triggering said MN when said MN changes mode (Page 6, Sec 2.4, New paging mode); triggering an Access Router (AR) associated with said MN when Layer-2 state of said MN changes from unreachable state to reachable state (Page 6, Sec 2.4, reachable); and triggering said AR when Layer-2 state of said MN changes from reachable state to unreachable (Page 6, Sec 2.4, not reachable); wherein said triggering steps are performed via communication over the Internet (Fig 1).

Regarding claim 33, Gurivireddy discloses said communication is maintained under supervision of a network paging protocol comprising layer-3 network address structures wherein Layer-3 refers to the network layer in the OSI stack (Fig 1, L3); Layer-2 network address structures (L2) and paging area ID structures (L2 and L3 paging area); wherein said structures augment conventional Mobile IP communication protocol to affect network paging functionality associated with said MN (Fig 1).

Regarding claims 34 and 38, Gurivireddy discloses said triggering when Layer-2 state of said MN changes from said unreachable state to said reachable state is sent to Layer-3 at said AR when said MN state in Layer-2 changes from said unreachable state to said reachable state (Page 7, sec 2.4.3 and 2.4.4).

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Regarding claims 35 and 39, Gurivireddy discloses said triggering when Layer-2 state of said MN changes from said reachable state to said unreachable state is sent to Layer-3 at said AR when said MN state in Layer-2 changes from said reachable state to said unreachable state (Page 7, sec 2.4.3 and 2.4.4).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

7. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

8. Claim 37 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gurivireddy.

Regarding claim 37, Gurivireddy fails to disclose the home agent is also a wireless device. However, the examiner takes an official noticed that Home agent is a wireless access point is well known and expected in the art at the time of invention was made to implement the home agent at the access point or base station. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to apply a home agent at the wireless access point into the teaching of Gurivireddy. The motivation would have been to reduce registration delay.

Conclusion

9. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven HD Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-3159. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wellington Chin can be reached on (571) 272-3134. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Steven HD Nguyen
Primary Examiner
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May 19, 2006